

Outside Nature Programs

Ages: 2-5 Cost: \$3/child

Bring your “Little Explorers” out to the park and discover nature through activities, stories, songs and a small hike. Your children will delight in the many nature themes we explore each month. Classes are outside. Pre-registration is required.

Flap & Fly

Thurs May 6 11-11:30 am

Fri May 7 11-11:30 am

Digging for Dinosaurs

Thurs May 20 11-11:30 am

Fri May 21 11-11:30 am

Let's Go Fishing

Thurs June 10 11-11:30 am

Fri June 11 11-11:30 am

Bubbling Bubbles

Thurs June 24 11-11:30 am

Fri June 25 11-11:30 am

Olympic Games

Thurs July 15 11-11:30 am

Fri July 16 11-11:30 am

Beach Fun

Thurs August 5 11-11:30 am

Fri August 6 11-11:30 am

Move Like An Animal

Thurs August 19 11-11:30 am

Fri August 20 11-11:30 am

Virtual Preschool Programs

Ages: 2-5 Cost: Free

All virtual programs will be held
on Microsoft Teams.

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Register Online: www.halyburtonpark.com
or by phone: 910.341.0075

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Snake & Turtle Feeding

Ages: 3 /up Cost: \$1
Enjoy a brief presentation about the live animals on display in the Events Center and then watch them feed.

This is a family program, all attendees must pay and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Wednesday 5/5 4-4:30 pm
Wednesday 6/2 4-4:30 pm
Wednesday 7/7 4-4:30 pm
Wednesday 8/4 4-4:30 pm

First Friday Bird Hikes

Ages: 5/up Cost: Free
Join park staff for a leisurely bird-watching stroll around Halyburton Park the first Friday of each month. We'll search for migrants, residents, and point out year-round species too. These walks are for beginner birders and all are welcome.

Friday 5/7 9-10:30 am
Friday 6/4 9-10:30 am
Friday 7/2 9-10:30 am
Friday 8/6 9-10:30 am

NC BIRDING TRAIL HIKES

The NC Birding Trail is a driving trail to link birders with great birding sites across the state and the local communities in which they are found. Each month we will explore a different site along the Coastal Plain Trail.

Carolina Beach Hike

Thurs 5/20 9 am - 12 pm Cost: \$10

Birding by Ear Workshop

Date: May 5 & May 6
Time: 5/5 11am-1pm & 5/6 7 am -11 am
Ages: 16/up Cost: \$10
Join Becky Skiba from the NC Wildlife Resources Commission and Andy Fairbanks from Halyburton Park in our Birding by Ear workshop to hone your bird call skills. A classroom presentation will be held on 5/5 at the events center introducing bird songs, mnemonics and other tips for learning. The field experience will be held on 5/6 at Carolina Beach State Park.

KAYAK TRIPS

Participants will meet at site for each trip.

Holly Shelter Creek Kayak Trip

Date: April 28 Time: 8:30 am -12:30 pm
Cost: \$45 Level: Beginner/Up
Meet at Sawpit Landing boating access area
Enjoy a leisurely paddle along this small Blackwater stream located along the border of Pender County that is home to an abundance of wildlife and birds!

Town and Rice Creek Kayak Trip

Date: May 27 Time: 8:30 am -12:00 pm
Cost: \$45 Level: Beginner/up
Meet at Rice Creek Boat Ramp
Rice Creek are slow moving Blackwater streams that are easily padded by those new to kayaking adventures. This is a great trip to see Prothonotary warblers also known as “swamp canaries or golden swamp warbler”, dragonflies and other wildlife.

Black River-Ivanhoe Section Kayak Trip

Date: June 10 Time: 8:30 am -1:30 pm
Cost: \$55 Level: Beginner/up
Meet at 81 Ivanhoe Rd, Ivanhoe NC
This trip is from Ivanhoe to Atkinson has numerous sandbars that line its banks and sandy bottoms providing the perfect place to stop for a quick rest and take in the scenic beauty. This is the perfect trip to get ready for paddling the much longer “Three Sisters Swamp” section being offered in September.

Sharks Tooth Island KayakTrip

Date: July 9 Time: 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Cost: \$45 Level: Beginner/up
Meet at River Rd Park, 6500 River Rd. Wilmington
We will paddle and explore around Keg Island, Sharks Tooth Island and Barnard’s Creek. This includes a stop on Sharks Tooth Island to look for prehistoric shark’s teeth and other marine fossils. If you like adventure and a good treasure hunt this trip is for you!

Masonboro Island Kayak Trip

Date: August 27 Time: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm
Cost: \$45 Level: Beginner/up
Meet at Trails End Park Paddle the tidal creeks through the salt marsh to Masonboro Island. Herons, egrets, ibis, oystercatchers and osprey are just some of the birds that can be observed.

SUMMER EVENING NATURE SERIES

Summer Sounds

Thurs. June 10 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Ages: 5/up Cost: Free
Have you ever wondered what animals are making all those noises during the summer? Discover who and what they sound like with an educator from Halyburton Park to discover the sounds of summer.

Snakes

Thurs. June 17 Time: 6:30 -7:30 pm
Ages: 5/up Cost: Free
Learn about the snakes on display at the Halyburton Park Nature Center and the many species you can find in the Wilmington area.

Bats

Thurs. June 24 Time: 8:00 - 9:00 pm
Ages: 5/up Cost: Free Pre-registration is required.
Learn about our nighttime, bug-eating friends and discover some awesome adaptations of these mammals. We'll dispel some myths about bats and find out why we like to have them around at the park!

Turtles

Thurs. July 1 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Ages: 5/up Cost: Free
Did you know that there are three groups of turtles? Land, semi-aquatic, and aquatic or sea turtles! During this program you will learn about those three groups and find out what kinds of turtles are found here in North Carolina and even meet some of the turtles we have on display at Halyburton!

Night Sky

Thurs. July 15 Time: 8:30 - 9:30 pm
Ages: 5/up Cost: Free Pre-registration is required.
Are you a night owl? This hike is perfect for you! Join Halyburton Park staff on a night hike to learn about the sights, sounds, and animals that can come out when it gets dark.

Spiders of North Carolina

Thurs. July 29 Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Ages: 5/up Cost: Free
Eek! Spiders! Hey wait, Spiders are very helpful to us, they eat mosquitoes! So they can't be too bad! Learn about the species of spiders that live in North Carolina and also to dispel some myths about these awesome eight legged creatures and maybe you will even learn to love them!

SUMMER CAMPS

Camp Longleaf

July 5 - July 9 Time: 9 am -1 pm
Ages: 8-11 (rising 2nd - 5th graders) Cost: \$100

From longleaf forests to cypress ponds, explore and discover the unique habitats of Halyburton Park! Campers will learn how to safely explore, observe, and appreciate nature through daily excursions, nature journaling, and hands-on animal experiences.

Camp Diamondback

July 19 – July 23
Time: Monday-Thursday 9 am - 1 pm
& Friday 8 am - 12 pm
Ages 12-14 (rising 6th-8th graders) Cost: \$135

Enjoy the wonders of Halyburton Park and other local parks through outdoor recreation experiences such as hiking, biking, and kayaking. Campers will learn to appreciate local habitats and wildlife while engaging in active adventures! Parents/guardians have the option of joining your camper on Friday's kayaking adventure (additional \$35 fee required and limited to one parent)

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